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NEWSLETTER FOR TSUD FACULTY AND STAFF

## TSUD TALENT INVOLVED IN COMMUNITY PRODUCTION

by Chris Bryant, student assistant

TSUD will loan two of its talented staff members to the local community production of *Cabaret*. The Southeast Alabama Community Theater (SEACT) organization will have Tony Whetstone, TSUD director of student and community services, and Bob Willis, TSUD director of enrollment services, in their upcoming production of the dazzling musical based on the play by John van Druten and stories by Christopher Isherwood.

Whetstone will pick up the SEACT conductor's baton for the fourth time with *Cabaret*. In the past he has conducted the pit orchestra for such productions as *Funny Girl*, *1776*, and *West Side Story*.

"When I moved to Dothan in 1981," Whetstone said, "I got involved with SEACT playing in the orchestra of several productions. When they offered me the chance to conduct I jumped at the opportunity. Dothan is very fortunate to have such a great organization as SEACT that showcases our local talent in plays and musicals every year."

Willis revealed, "I got involved two years ago when I was asked to fill in for someone in the *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* musical. Since then I have played many secondary parts in such top-notch SEACT productions as *Cinderella* and *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*. I also worked props in their recent production of *Dracula*."

While he admits the work is time consuming and often hard to manage, Willis is quick to point out it is well worth it in the end.

"I have enjoyed myself immensely in every production I have been involved with," he said. "Working on a dramatic and entertaining musical like *Cabaret* is hard, but because I get to meet so many wonderfully tal-

ented people from around the community, the time spent is fun and enjoyable."

Additionally, such stars as former TSUD student government association president Christina Johnson will help fill in the talent for the various speaking roles. The play will run May 12-16 with curtain time at 7:30 P.M. at the Dothan Opera House.

"Please go out and support SEACT every chance you get," Whetstone added. "It's through the support of the Wiregrass community that it receives its talent and ability to bring quality productions to the stage year after year."

Anyone interested in helping out or auditioning for future SEACT productions is encouraged to call them at (334) 794-0400.



Whetstone and Willis look over the music for the SEACT production of *Cabaret*.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Much has been written and voiced about the work of Chancellor Hawkins' TSU System Identity Committee. Having been present at all of the committee's (and subcommittee's) deliberations, I can honestly attest to the high quality of thought, discussion and discourse amongst the committee members. Each committee participant brought a unique perspective to the table with respect to his/her understanding and affection for The TSU System's mission and legacy.

I learned a great deal. And hopefully fellow members learned from me. Through Vice President John Schmidt's able leadership and eye to detail, the committee moved through a healthy six week agenda which included an opinion survey of randomly-chosen faculty, staff, students and friends; analysis of reams of literature on the subject; and as heretofore mentioned, lots of high level discussion.

In addition to my enhanced learning curve, I came away with a renewed appreciation for the breadth, depth and uniqueness of this Troy State University System, of which, TSUD is a major partner. Yes, potential university names were discussed along with compelling reasons to maintain or rename. The unofficial consensus seemed to be—stay with Troy and the brand equity associated with this long standing title. However, we each had a vote by ballot to officially advise the Chancellor to change or not to change. Dr. Hawkins will most likely make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees looking to a decision in June.

Regardless of what comes from the Board's actions in June, the fact that twenty-two well-intentioned Troy State System supporters assembled and as colleagues discussed the role of our great System relative to our stated mission and relative to perceived ways to advance and enhance this mission. Something about a "rose by another name..." comes to mind! Stay tuned.

*Michael E. Malone*  
President



### PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

**Dr. Brenda Ameter** attended a committee meeting at the Dothan Eagle for the Maya Angelou Writing Contest on March 4; attended Southeast American Society of Eighteenth

Century Studies Meeting in Atlanta on March 5-7 and presented a paper at the meeting on March 5; hosted Chess Club on March 13; attended Maya Angelou presentation and Wiregrass Family Fair and hosted Creative Writing Club on March 14; attended Birmingham-Southern Writing Conference with

CWC members March 19-21; attended Intercollegiate Chess Tournament with Chess Team on March 21; submitted a grant for the *Copper Blade Review* on March 26.

**Ms. Farrow Burks** attended Cultural Diversity Workshop hosted by the Alliance of Minority Students at TSUD on March 3; attended Marketing for Higher Education teleconference and Chamber of Commerce Education Committee meeting on March 4; attended ALIVE Board meeting on March 10; hosted TSUD Academy of Lifelong Learning meeting on March 19.

**Dr. William Capps** attended the National School Boards Association Annual Conference in New Orleans on April 3-5; attended AAPEL Annual Conference at UAB on April 6.

**Dr. Jan Gunnels** hosted ECE teachers from our professional development schools at her house to review and make recommendations about our revised ECE programs on March 5; presented the new ECE programs at the School of Education Work Day on March 6; presented, with Dr. Pat Garlikov, a session for parents at the Young Author's Conference on March 7; chaired the Ed.S. thesis defense for Jeanell Buntin on March 17; hosted seminars on interviewing, using the professional portfolios, and other issues for her interns on March 4 and 18.

**Dr. Barbara Gusick**, as a TSUD delegate, participated in the technology conference "The Lowdown on Teaching at a

## WIREGRASS READING COUNCIL BENEFITS HOUSE OF RUTH



During its regular meeting on the campus of Troy State University Dothan, the Wiregrass Reading Council (WRC) presented a \$250 grant to Dothan's House of Ruth. The WRC obtained the grant from the Alabama Reading Association (ARA), an organization that funds reading projects throughout the state. The money commemorates the first time that the ARA has given a grant in the Wiregrass area. Presenting the check are, from left to right, Charlotte Lloyd, WRC membership chairperson; Dr. Patricia Garlikov, TSUD assistant professor of Early Childhood Education and WRC President; Gina Baldwin, House of Ruth; and Dr. Cynthia Hicks, TSUD School of Education adjunct faculty member and WRC President Elect.

Distance" held at TSU on March 9; organized and chaired the Oratorical Contest for the Dothan Optimist Club and attended Maya Angelou's performance at the Houston County Farm Center on March 14; attended Dr. Robert Saunders' presentation as a John Woodham Memorial Lecture on March 4; attended meetings of the Dothan Optimist Club on March 2, 16, 23, and April 6.

**Mr. David Johnson** recruited at Michelin Tire Corporation on March 4; attended luncheon at Chamber of Commerce for One Stop Career Center on March 5; recruited at Sony Magnetic

Products on March 10-11; hosted Harvest Christian and Eufaula High School students on March 12; attended Civitan meeting with Karla Sorrells of London International and toured the plant on March 17; hosted Enterprise State Junior College students on March 20.

**Ms. Maya Jones** participated in the Christian Student Fellowship bakesale on March 2; attended the Cultural Diversity Workshop hosted by the Alliance of Minority Students at TSUD on March 3; attended Dr. Robert Saunders' presentation as a John Woodham Memorial Lecture on March 4; attended a

dinner for YAC author Gloria Pickney on March 6; attended the Young Authors Conference at Kelly Springs School on March 7.

**Dr. Cynthia Lumpkin** read to second graders at Cloverdale for "Read Across America" day on March 2; participated in curriculum committee meeting with School of Education on March 6; volunteered at Young Author's Conference sponsored by Wiregrass Reading Council at Kelly Springs Elementary on March 7; attended Executive Council meeting on March 13; met with faculty from Abbeville Elementary to review Title I proposal on March 17.

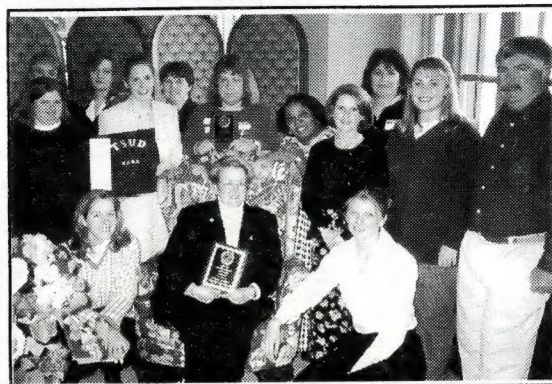
**Dr. Diane Murphy** provided welcome at Ozark's annual Prayer Breakfast on February 27; led Ozark's Third Annual Community Goals Conference on February 28; served as volunteer at Carroll High School's production of "George M" on February 28; presented an overview of the Alabama PEPE to Dr. Oliver's class on March 2; worked with state PTA officers and ALACTE representatives on grant process on March 5; chaired School of Education Curriculum Committee meeting on March 6; attended TSU Distance Learning Conference on March 9; met with State Education deans and EDL chairs on March 10; attended the Wiregrass United Way Strategic Planning Session at Fort Rucker on March 12; attended Troy State University Simulated United Nations on March 13; chaired the Education Committee of the Ozark First United

Methodist Church on March 16; chaperoned the Carroll High School Band Rock-a-thon on March 21; chaired Ozark's All-America City Award Application Committee meeting and chaired the Ozark Council for Excellence meeting on March 23; reviewed ESJC Title III Syllabi on March 27.

**Dr. Ruth Oliver** presented "Technology in Counseling" at the District IX Alabama Counseling Association meeting on February 27.

**Dr. Sarah Patrick** attended and presented a workshop "Geometric Constructions and Transformations Via Paper Folding and MIRAs" at the regional meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics in Tampa, FL, on March 5-7; attended the international conference of Teachers Teaching with Technology in Nashville, TN, on March 13-15.

**Ms. Debora Pettway** participated in Cultural Diversity Training sponsored by the Alliance of Minority Students on March 3; conducted Cultural Diversity and Effective Communication Workshop for the Family Guidance Center on March 5; assisted with the coordination of and attended the National TRIO celebration at Sparks State Technical College on March 6; served on nominating committee for the City of Dothan Teacher of the Year on March 11 and 12; served as TSUD representative at the Wiregrass Family Fair on March 14; attended the American Association for Higher Ed-



## SAEA WINS HONORS AT STATE CONFERENCES

Troy State University Dothan's chapter of the Student Alabama Education Association (SAEA) recently won several honors at the annual SAEA spring conference held in Birmingham. A statewide organization that strives to develop an understanding and appreciation of the teaching profession, SAEA seeks higher standards in teacher education as well as promoting leadership and professional attitudes among college students interested in teaching.

The winning group at the spring conference took home the Highest Membership Award in the state, First Place in Chapter Scrapbook, the Greatest Participation Award for the spring conference, and the Most Outstanding Chapter Award in the state. Members of TSUD's SAEA also won individual state offices. The conference participants include from left to right: bottom row, Jessica Bradshaw, who won the office of SAEA state first vice-president; Dr. Sandra Lee Jones, SAEA advisor and director of the professional internship program at TSUD, also won the office of SAEA state advisor; and member Samantha Price. Pictured on the top row from left to right are, Bonnie Polland, new SAEA state delegate; Karen Rodland, who won the office of SAEA state president; member Katherine Roney; Pam Grant, new SAEA alternate state delegate; Kristie Fuqua, new SAEA state delegate; member Olina Sanders; Gary Stewart, who won the office of SAEA state Southern Regional Coordinator; member Dianne Johnson; member Cynthia McKinnon; member Jennifer Rodland; and member Gwenna Fritsche.

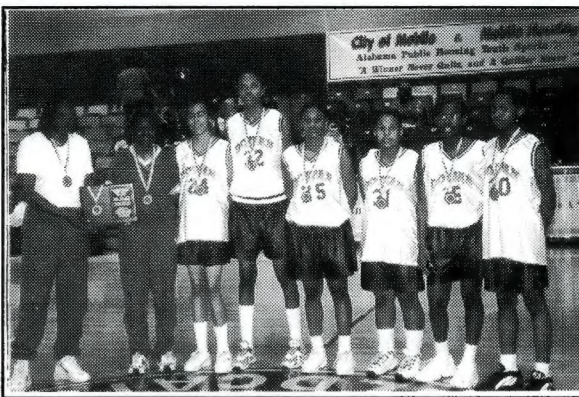
The TSUD Chapter of SAEA also attended an earlier fall conference in Birmingham where they won third place in the talent show contest. The award-winning skit performed at the talent show was based on the "Grease" musical and involved many TSUD SAEA members dressed in appropriate 50's attire.

"The fall conference was the first year we competed in the talent show," Dr. Jones said. "And the spring conference saw two firsts for us in winning the state outstanding chapter award and the office of state president. We have the largest chapter in the entire state with over 200 members, and I am so proud that our hard working students are receiving the recognition that they deserve."

ucation National Conference on Higher Education in Atlanta, GA, on March 19-24.

**Mr. Keith Seagle** participated in Cultural Diversity Workshop hosted by the Alliance of Minority Student at TSUD; attended Videoconference "Using Interactive Media and Web-based Marketing Effectively" hosted by TSUD; attended meeting of Advisory Committee to the Dothan-Houston County Substance Abuse Partnership and discussed Open Container Law initiative; attended Student Retention Conference in Las Vegas, NY; joined AOD Abuse Prevention committee working on a federal grant to fund a conference on abuse prevention in the workplace.

**Dr. Matthew Valle** submitted the manuscript "The contribution of team-building to the perceptions of politics/satisfaction relationship" to the 1998 conference of the Southern Management Association; gave an invited research presentation entitled "Individual political behaviors in organizations: Antecedents and consequences" to the faculty and staff of the College of Administrative Science at The University of Alabama in Huntsville on March 23; gave an invited research presentation entitled "Teaching (and learning) group synergy in the classroom" to the faculty and staff of the School of Business and Government at North Georgia College and State University on March 26; publication of research translation to appear in the upcoming issue of the *Academy of Management Executive*.



## FAMILIAR FACE AT TSUD BRINGS HOME A WIN AT STATE TOURNAMENT

Harriett Ball, a staff member of Sodexho Marriott Services at TSUD, coached the Dothan Housing Authority Girls Basketball team to a second place victory in the 6th Annual Alabama Public Housing Basketball State Tournament held recently in Mobile.

Among the 700 plus young people who converged on Mobile the winners from the Dothan Girls team, the Dothan Flames, are pictured from left to right: Harriett Ball, coach; Christina Ball, assistant coach; Jasmine Young, Marie Reese, JuWonda Boykins, Joy Brantley, LaShala Potters, and Miranda Beachum. Team members not pictured include Victoria Reese, Crystol Sanders, and Crystol Petty.

Forty-five teams of youth 18 and under registered for the tournament. The Dothan Housing Authority entered teams in three divisions: Boys 15 and under, Girls 15 and under, and Boys 12 and under. The theme for the statewide tournament was "A Winner Never Quits, and a Quitter Never Wins."

This is one of the many events and activities sponsored by the Dothan Housing Authority's "252 Club." The club is a comprehensive youth program designed to assist young people in growing mentally, physically, spiritually, and socially. Barbara Mitchell heads the office of Resident Services at the Dothan Housing Authority and coordinates the "252 Club" sports and activities. Also serving through the Office of Resident Services are coaches Wade Morrison and Marcus Henry.

**Dr. Elizabeth Van Loo** attended Annual Conference of Association for Death Educators and Counselors on March 17-22.

**Ms. Ann Wells** attended a meeting to discuss the health care needs of the area on March 2; attended a meeting with local health care ceo's regarding health care needs on March 12; represented the University at a booth at Wiregrass Family Fair on March 14; participated in a meeting with David Morales,

Substance Abuse, Executive Director, regarding the possibility of a substance abuse grant.

**Mr. Tony Whetstone** attended marketing videoconference on March 4; attended Dothan Advertising Federation Board meeting and luncheon on March 11; attended meeting with area health care officials regarding health care management and professional development programs on March 12; attended Wiregrass Family Fair on March 14; attended Dothan City

# Library News

by Frank Walker, library director

The library has been and continues to gather as many TSUD historical and/or administrative documents as possible. The following is a partial listing of documents available in the library:

Application for Accreditation for SACS, 1982; Follow Up Report, 1984; Institutional Self Study, 1989; Report of the Reaffirmation Committee, 1989; Report of the Visiting Committee, 1985; Institutional Report for NCATE Accreditation Volumes I & II; Annual Planning Statements on Needs and Goals for the years 1984 through 1994; Graduate Follow-Up Study; Master Plan for Institutional Effectiveness; Strategic Plan for Troy State University Dothan, 1996-1999; Administrative Council Minutes; Executive Council Minutes; Institutional Effectiveness Committee Minutes; Agenda/Minutes for the Troy State System Board of Trustees; Troy State University Dothan Fact Book (various years).

We hope to continue to build this collection so that faculty and staff can have access to the information available in a central location.

# ACTIVITIES OF THE PRESIDENT

March 1998

Made four Capital Campaign visits

Participated in System Executive Committee meeting in Troy

Met with Presidents Larry Beaty, Wallace College Dothan, and Stafford Thompson, ESJC

Attended initial meeting in Troy of committee to review distance education efforts across The TSU System

Participated in two System Image Committee meetings in Troy

Attended three Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce ribbon cuttings

Participated in Southeast Alabama Dance Company Board of Directors meeting

Attended "The Lowdown on Teaching at a Distance" workshop at TSU

Participated in Alabama-Florida Council Boy Scout Executive Board meeting

Attended Wiregrass Family Fair activities

Hosted visit of Professor Chisato Furuya's, Nagaoka University of Technology, Niigata, Japan, visit with local Sony Magnetic Products officials to the TSUD campus

Attended Dothan City Schools Academy Awards activity

Attended Wiregrass Forum breakfast meeting

Attended TSU Graduation activities and Board of Trustees meeting in Troy

Attended four Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce Legislative Affairs Monday morning committee meetings with legislators

Attended several legislative sessions in Montgomery at which higher education budget was discussed

## Chess Club Meeting

**Friday, May 15**

**6:30 P.M.**

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## Creative Writing Club Meeting

**Saturday, May 16**

**6:00 P.M.**

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**Dr. Ameter's Home at  
2859 Westgate Pkwy.**

Schools Academy Awards Ceremony, where his wife Rhonda, a TSUD graduate, was selected as the Assistant Administrator of the Year.

Ms. Pamela Williamson attended an Alabama AHEAD meeting at Auburn University Montgomery on March 26 and she serves as a member-at-large to this organization; she and Sandra Carter have been working throughout the month with representatives of the Dothan City School System to develop a grant

proposal for a "School-to-Work" project; she, Keith Seagle, Ann Wells, and Farrow Burks have been working throughout the month with the Dothan-Houston County Substance Abuse Partnership to develop a grant proposal for a "Knowledge Dissemination" Conference.

Mr. Forrest Wood presented to ESJC students on a student tour at TSUD a briefing on the School of Business and CIS/MIS curricular paths.

## GAMMA BETA PHI WINS SECOND PLACE IN NATIONAL SCRAPBOOK COMPETITION

At the Gamma Beta Phi National Convention, held this year at Nashville, TN, on March 27-29, the TSUD Chapter won 2nd place in the National Scrapbook Competition.

This achievement marks the second consecutive year in which the TSUD Chapter has placed its scrapbook in the top three national ranking at the Annual National Convention.

Congratulations to the Chapter!

## COURTESY COMMITTEE REPORT

March 1998

### Wedding Gift and Card

\* Mr. & Mrs. Frank Walker

### Get Well Cards

- \* Angela Smith  
(student in auto accident)
- \* Rhonda Whetstone  
(Tony Whetstone's wife)

### Sympathy Card

\* Dr. Jim Windle, on death of his brother-in-law

### Thank You Notes Received

- \* Barbara Alford
- \* Kathy Walker

## FROM THE TSUD FAMILY

TSUD Courtesy Committee,

I spoke to my daughter, Shannon, and she is still amazed and touched by TSUD's get well card during her recent surgery. It was so unexpected. And

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although she's now in N.C. with her husband's folks, her heart is still at home in Alabama. Thanks!

Barbara

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Dear Courtesy Committee,

Thanks so much for the beautiful crystal flower vase. It is just lovely! I did not have a nice vase, and Frank and I will enjoy it throughout the years! All of Frank's friends and co-workers have made me feel so welcome whenever I go on campus. Thanks again for the thoughtful gift and the warm hospitality.

Sincerely,  
Kathy

## CAMPUS TRAILS

### "OFF ROAD BIKE TRAIL"

Thanks goes to the following community partners who volunteered their time and labor to help build Campus Trails:

Greg Allen  
Steve Durborow  
Denise Fowler  
Mike Lepley  
Jim Oates  
Duke Teague  
Dale Thomas  
Craig Tillery

Thanks also goes to the following TSUD grounds staff who worked hard, and who also volunteered their time, in building the walking, running, and biking trail:

Ronnie Childree  
Scot Craig  
Harry Wills

If you see any of these people, please thank them for making the trail possible for everyone to enjoy.



TAKE A RIDE!

TSUD's own Lannes  
Morris-Murphy  
Gave Birth To A Bouncing  
Baby Boy On  
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Joshua Lee  
Is Doing Well Reports His  
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**Looking ahead . . . .**

Honors Convocation .....	May 1
Mother's Day .....	May 10
Pre-registration .....	May 18-21
Memorial Day (university closed) .....	May 25
Last day to submit grade change for "Inc" from Winter ..	June 1
Final Exams .....	June 3-4
Commencement (4:00 P.M.) .....	June 7

## BIRTHDAYS FOR MAY

11 Lynda Salisbury  
13 Renee' Green  
21 Sandra Lee Jones  
27 Michael Malone  
29 Kenny Fondren  
30 Michael Higgins  
31 Faye Jones



## BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE

3 Ronnie Childree  
3 Cynthia Lumpkin  
3 Janet McQueen  
5 Stacey Mixon  
6 Fred Feagin  
7 Rodney Beaver  
9 Mary Noble  
12 Adair Gilbert  
13 Linda Young  
15 Robert Saunders  
16 Darryel Roberds  
24 Farrow Burks  
24 Diane Murphy  
26 Kirk Davis

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